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Inventor	Armen Kroyan	Filing Date	December 11, 2003
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Title:	Method for Printability Enhancement of Complementary Masks		
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Santa Clara, California
January 3, 2007Mail Stop AMENDMENT
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This amendment is responsive to an Office Action dated September 1, 2006. The response was due on December 1, 2006. Concurrently filed herewith is a request for a first month's extension of time, thereby enabling a response to be filed on January 1, 2007 which was a holiday. Accordingly this amendment is considered timely filed even though filed on the next working day, namely January 3, 2007 (as January 2 was a holiday also).

Note that the fee for the first month's extension is indicated in the attached fee transmittal and a credit card payment form. No additional fee is believed to be required. But, please charge any fee that may be required for entry of this paper, and any paper in this application to the Deposit Account 50-2263. This is a general authorization for any paper in this application.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper and end on page 10.